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Credit Card Payments for Income Tax

Little Rock—First, there was the advent of electronic filing. Next, we added the technology of logging on to the web and simply completing the forms. Now, Arkansas Taxpayers will have yet another feature when filing individual income tax. In addition to paying federal income tax via credit card, you can now pay your Arkansas individual income tax using the convenience of your credit card.

The Arkansas Revenue Division is partnering with Official Payments Corporation to launch a new program for Arkansas taxpayers. Whether you are filing using the e-file or telefile system, or if you choose the more conventional method of paper filing, you can pay your current year individual income tax with your American Express, VISA, Master Card or Discover card.

"We are excited about this new program, says Dick Barclay, Chief Fiscal Officer and Director of the Department of Finance and Administration. "Charging taxes allows Arkansans the flexibility to pay according to their schedule."

The process is simple and safe. Your current year individual income tax is payable by logging on to www.officialpayments.com or by dialing toll free to 1-800-2PAY-TAX (1-800-272-9829). There is a 2.5% convenience fee assessed by Official Payments Corporation to cover the cost of processing these transactions.

"We are pleased to join the other 19 states, and 1,000 municipalities that subscribe to this service," says David Foster, Income Tax Administrator. "We are steadily looking for ways to improve our ability to serve the people of Arkansas."

It is important to note that the information gathered is kept confidential. Once the payment is accepted, the customer will receive confirmation from Official Payment Corporation that their payment will be forwarded to Arkansas Revenue Division for processing.

You can find more information about this program by visiting the Department of Finance and Administration web site at www.arkansas.gov/dfa.